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I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one other country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed:

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Netherlands	9401633	04 October 1994	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no

I verily believe the original U.S. Pat. No. 5,879,380 is partially inoperative or partially invalid by reason of having claimed less than I had a right to claim in the patent. At least one error in the original patent, which is corrected in the present reissue application, is the limitation of claim 1 which recites that at least one end section of the tubular section is folded back over the outer surface creating an enclosure; this limitation has been removed in claim 21.

All errors corrected in the present reissue application up until the time of filing of this Declaration arose without deceptive intent on my part as applicant.

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